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Wastewater Works Operator License Revocations

RICHMOND – The Virginia Board for Waterworks and Wastewater Works Operators revoked an operator's licenses at its quarterly meeting on Wed., Dec. 8. Following is a summary of the Board's action.

Copies of the file orders and summaries are available for viewing online at www.dpor.virginia.gov (using the disciplinary action search feature under "License Lookup"). Fines are deposited directly into the state Literary Fund, which is used solely for public education purposes such as school construction, renovation, and teacher retirement funding.

KENNETH ROBERT HINKLEY STAFFORD, VA

File Numbers 2004-01746 and 2004-01747

VIOLATIONS – Hinkley violated a federal Clean Water Act Permit and failed to notify the Board of his felony conviction.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of Class III Water Operator License No. 1903001475, Class I Wastewater Operator License No. 1909000832, and a \$2,000 fine.

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About DPOR and the Board for Waterworks and Wastewater Works Operators:

The Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR) administers and enforces laws regulating 31 commercial occupations and certain professions. The agency licenses or certifies more than 286,000 individuals and businesses ranging from architects and contractors to cosmetologists and professional wrestlers.

DPOR investigates reports of regulatory violations by licensees; pursues complaints of criminal activity by unlicensed practitioners; responds to business-related consumer inquiries and requests for license checks; administers recovery funds for consumers harmed in contractor or real estate transactions; and conducts mediation services and public awareness campaigns.

The Board for Waterworks and Wastewater Works Operators licenses approximately 5,500 individuals who operate water and wastewater treatment facilities. Licensed operators' duties include testing or evaluation to control waterworks (systems for collection, storage, purification, and treatment of water for drinking or domestic use) or wastewater works (sewerage systems and facilities discharging industrial or other wastes into state waters).

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